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King County massage therapist's license permanently revoked

Child molestation and related convictions lead state to permanently ban therapist from practice

OLYMPIA — The license of King County massage therapist Mark Satterlund (MA00010520) has been permanently revoked after he was convicted of child molestation, assault, and communicating with a minor for immoral purposes. State Department of Health officials say Satterlund can never practice massage in Washington.

In March 2011, state health officials charged Satterlund with unprofessional conduct and immediately suspended his license. Satterlund waived his right to a hearing. The permanent revocation completes the department's legal proceedings against him.

In May 2012, Satterlund was convicted in King County Superior Court of two counts of first-degree child molestation, third-degree child molestation, five counts of fourth-degree assault, and communicating with a minor for immoral purposes.

The legal documents can be seen online by clicking "[Look up a health care provider](#)" on the Department of Health website or requested by calling 360-236-4700. To file a complaint against a health care provider in Washington, fill out a form online or call 360-236-4700.

The Department of Health regulates health care providers in Washington to ensure the competency and quality of professional health care providers to protect the public's health and safety.

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